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Magalie Roman Salas, Esquire
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Room 222
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Walden, Colorado.

Sincerely,

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President

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Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, DC 20554

In the matter of:)		
Amendment of Section 73.202 (b))	DM	
Table of Allotments)	RM	
FM Broadcast Stations)		
(Walden, Colorado))		

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 231C2 (94.1 Mhz) to Walden, Colorado as its first local FM allotment.

INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 231C2 (94.1 Mhz) to Walden and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 231C2 to Walden will have.

DISCUSSION

2. Walden is located in North central Colorado. It is also located within Jackson County, a county of some 1605 persons. Walden has a population of 890 persons in accordance with the U.S. 1990 census.

3. The allotment of channel 231C2 to Walden will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to Walden is located at Steamboat Springs, Colorado. Steamboat Springs is located 54 kilometers from Walden.

It is obvious that from the above spacing that Walden is presently without local FM service.

- 4. Walden would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 54 Kilometers of Walden. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the Walden area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards.
- 5. Channel 231C2 can be allotted to Walden and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	
Walden, Colorado	***********	231C2	

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 231C2 and the pertinent adjacent channels to 231C2 have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study (N 40 - 41' - 44", W. 106 - 29' - 49") are that of a site located 18.6 kilometers west of the community of Walden. A site restriction of 18.6 kilometers west will be required to allot channel 231C2 to Walden. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Walden. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

CONCLUSION

- 7. It has been shown that Walden would benefit from the allotment of channel 231C2. It has also been shown that channel 231C2 can be allotted to Walden and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 231C2 for Walden, Colorado, 73.202.
- 8. Should channel 231C2 be allotted to Walden I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Walden, Colorado.

CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated:

December 20, 1998

Respectfully submitted,

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MAPFM search of channel 231C2 (94.1 MHz), at N. 40 41 44, W. 106 29 49.

Searchi	ing Channel 231C2 (94.1	MHz) :						
CALL	CITY		ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
ALC	Craig		CO	229	C1	U	94.9	79.0	262.0°	15.9
KRAIFM	Craig		CO	229	C1	L	94.9	79.0	262.0°	15.9
ALC	Frisco		CO	230	A	U	130.6	105.0	165.6	25.6
KYSL	Frisco		CO	230	Α	L	130.6	105.0	165.6	25.6
ALC	Rock River		WY	230	A	V	124.0	105.0	20.7°	19.0
ALC	Montrose		CO	231	C	U	279.6	249.0	200.6	30.6
KKXK	Montrose		CO	231	C	\mathbf{L}	279.6	249.0	200.6	30.6
ALC	Scottsbluff							224.0	64.7°	37.3
KNEBFM	Scottsbluff		NE	231	C1	L	261.3	224.0	64.7°	37.3
ALC	Wellington		CO	232	C3	V	125.7	117.0	79.6°	8.7
ALC	Colorado Springs		CO	232	C	U		188.0	147.1°	69.9
KILO	Colorado Springs		CO	232	C	L	257.9	188.0	147.1°	69.9
NEW	Wellington		CO	232	C3	A	126.2	117.0	79.9°	9.2
NEW	Wellington		CO	232	C3	A	123.2	117.0	78.9°	6.2
NEW	Wellington					A	124.7	117.0	78.7°	7.7
NEW	Wellington		CO	232	C3	A	122.3	117.0	78.9°	5.3
NEW	Wellington		CO	232	C3	A	138.6	117.0	80.7°	21.6
NEW	Wellington		CO	232	C3	A	125.7	117.0	78.7°	8.7
NEW	Wellington		CO	232	C3			117.0	77.3	0.0
ALC	Lafayette		CO	234	С		142.2		142.7°	37.2
KRKSFM	Boulder		CO	234	C	L	119.2	105.0	125.5	14.2
KRKSFM	Lafayette		CO	234	C	C	142.3	105.0	142.7°	37.3

FIGURE 1
CHANNEL SPACING STUDY
WALDEN, COLORADO
MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING

